THE VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

The Freedom of the Preſs is one of the great Bulwarks of Liberty, and can never be reſtrained but by deſpotic Governments.

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FROM A LONDON PAPER OF A LATE DATE.

IT is impoſſible to read the ſeven pompous folio pages of gazette intelligence without being moved with indignation againſt the fomenters of this unnatural war. Every humane man muſt feel for the unhappy ſoldiery who have already been ſlain. Accordding to our own account, we have loſt the beſt part of a thouſand men, officers include, in the different uſeleſs ſkirmiſhes. The provincials, it ſeems, have loſt but few, at the ſame time they have anſwered all the purpoſes of the preſent campaign. In all the movements of Waſhington, we perceive the moſt conſummate wiſdom and coolneſs; and who will ſay the Americans are ſo miſling an enemy as the weak Miniſtry always pretended? We have, by the preſent campaign, diſcovered (what Adminiſtration have endeavoured to conceal) that the Americans will fight; or how comes it to paſs that thouſands of our troops are ſlaughtered? It is very evident that our army dare not march far into the country; for the greateſt diſtance from New York, mentioned in the gazette, is only ten miles, and this hath been marked with Britiſh blood all the way. If they continue to march with the like ſucceſs, before General Howe could reach Philadelphia he would loſe the greateſt part of his army. But the truth is, that the winter is ſet in, and the campaign is over. This, however, has been forgotten in the gazette. Waſhington, by a maſterly retreat, has ſaved his army for next ſpring, while our Generals, dividing the greateſt part of their troops, attack a fort, a mere temporary building, in which a few men are left, without any offices of reſt, and carry it. HANNIBAL himſelf, under ſuch circumſtances, muſt have ſurrendered. At the end of this famous intelligence appears an admirable piece of artifice, a maſterly ſtroke of Lord George, for no other being could be capable of it. This is no leſs than ſwelling the number of priſoners taken at Long-Iſland, New York, &c. to the preſent account, though his Lordſhip made an excellent diſplay of the former with the ſwelling names of Brigadier Generals, &c. But what is the reaſon that in this recapitulating mood this magnanimous Miniſter forgot to mention the two regiments that were taken in Canada, the four hundred and fifty who were taken laſt June, belonging to the 71ſt regiment, and the many hundreds deſtroyed and taken in other places. The reaſon is obvious. All our little military exploits, or trifling ſkirmiſhes, are to be painted and embelliſhed, whilſt our defeats and loſſes are to be buried in eternal oblivion. To ſum up the whole, we poſſeſs in America a tract of land of about twenty miles round in one of the provinces, whilſt the Americans, undiſturbed, keep Georgia, North and South Carolinas, Virginia, Maryland, Pennſylvania, and New England, and carry on an extenſive trade to moſt parts of the world. Thus hath millions been expended, the country overloaded with taxes, and we are as nigh conquering America as we were three years ago. We had then Boſton, we have *now* New York; ſo that, to uſe the miniſterial language, the utmoſt our army and fleet hath been capable of performing, is a mere *ſhifting their poſition*. JANUS.

LONDON, *February* 3.

A GREAT variety of letters have been brought over by Capt. Duncan Drummond of the artillery, aid de camp to General Clinton, all of which mention the high ſpirits which the King's troops are in, the plenty and goodneſs of proviſions which they enjoy, and the confidence they have, that in the courſe of this year all America will be reduced to proper obedience to the mother country.

The Aurora, John Hutchinſon maſter, late the Oxford, of Glaſgow, taken by the rebels, with a party of the 71ſt regiment on board, and carried into Virginia, is brought into Liverpool, laden with 412 hogſheads of tobacco, on account of the Congreſs, and bound to Nantz or Bourdeaux. She was navigated by 15 men, and had a Mr. Hall on board, in the capacity of a ſupercargo. Eight of the crew were Engliſhmen, and had all been priſoners in America. About the longitude of 16 W. and in lat. 47, William Turner, boatſwain of the ſhip, and who previouſly ſounded the inclinations of the Engliſh ſailors, and found them willing to aſſiſt in ſeizing the veſſel, and carrying her to England, ſecured the Captain and ſupercargo in the cabin, while his companions ſecured the American ſailors upon deck. They were all ſoon overpowered, and Turner, who took the command, ſhaped his courſe for Liverpool, where he arrived the 29th inſtant. All the American papers were ſecured, and the cargo, at the preſent price of tobacco, may fairly be eſtimated at 10,000l.

Orders are ſent to New York, for all the priſoners of war, which are not exchanged, to be ſent to England by the return of the tranſports, under guard of the invalids, who are alſo ordered home.

Feb. 3. The recruiting ſervice for our two armies in America, goes on with much ſucceſs, and the levies will be ready about the twenty fifth of March. We expect from Caſſel a new corps of chaſſeurs, conſiſting of 1000 choſen men, and another body as conſiderable from Brunſwick and Hanau; by which means the partizans of the Miniſter flatter themſelves we ſhall have, the ſucceeding campaign, an army of 25000 regular troops in Canada, and 35000 under General Howe. What a pity ſhould the reſtleſs, meddling Waſhington take it in his head to ſpoil ſo fair and exact a calculation.

It has been very lately diſcovered that the copperplate which is made uſe of to ſtrike the American paper currency, was engraved in London in the year 1766 for a Gentleman who is now a member of Congreſs; which leads us to believe that the project of rendering the colonies independent was formed long ſince by ſome factious people, dexterous enough at covering their ambitious deſigns under the maſk of patriotiſm.——— [*A ſagacious diſcovery!*]

Feb. 25. On Sunday night Captain White of the land forces, and Captain Robinſon of the royal navy, arrived at Lord George Germaine's houſe in Pallmall, with deſpatches from Lord and General Howe at New York, brought by the Briſtol man of war, which were carried yeſterday by his Lordſhip to his Majeſty at the Queen's palace. Captain White attended, and had the honour of a conference with his Majeſty.

The intelligence brought by theſe officers is chiefly this; the taking of Lee is ſaid to be true; he is confined at Brunſwick. The taking of nine hundred or more (but laſt night the miniſterial people ſaid the loſs was only ſeven hundred) of the Heſſians at Trenton is alſo true? They behaved indifferently, having an eye to the preſervation of their plunder more than to fighting. Soon after this affair, the Americans, under General Waſhington, croſſed the Delaware, and marched to Princeton, where they made a regular and ſteady attack on the King's forces who were poſted there, with the advantage of an eminence, the large building called the college, and other fences. Waſhington was obliged to deſiſt with the loſs of between four and five hundred. The King's troops, (according to this account, which is admitted by the miniſterial friends to be true) loſt about two hundred and fifty. The 17th regiment had upwards of one hundred killed. In conſequence of theſe actions, all thoughts formerly entertained of going to Philadelphia were entirely given over; and it was reſolved to narrow or leſſen the cantonments of the army, in order to keep them nearer together during the winter; and that no farther operations would be attempted till ſummer, as every part of the army were going into winter quarters. The friends of Government admit, that, upon the whole, the news is diſagreeable; and the military Gentlemen call the affair at Princeton a military check. Lord Shuldham came paſſenger in the Briſtol.

The Miniſters confeſs that the American officers out generalled our officers in Jerſey. After the defeat of the Heſſians at Trenton, Lord Cornwallis collected all the Britiſh and foreigners in Jerſey, with an intention of attacking General Waſhington at Trenton; but after reconnoitring his ſituation, Lord Cornwallis declined it. Mean while a detachment from General Waſhington, marched to cut of his Lordſhip's retreat to Princeton, fell in with the 17th and 49th regiments, going to reinforce Lord Cornwallis; an action enſued, in which the two regiments were totally defeated. But this action gave Lord Cornwallis an opportunity to get away, which he did as well as he could General Donop attempted to face upon the Americans, but retreated without attacking them. All the Heſſian colours are taken, together with eight pieces of cannon; and what is of the moſt value, all the Commiſſaries ſtores for the army, which had been collected and laid up at Burlington. This laſt will prove a great loſs to our army. The contractors will, no doubt, be glad of it. Our loſs in the Jerſeys is thought to be about four hundred killed, and ten officers, and about twelve hundred Heſſians, three battalions of whom behaved very ill.

It is calculated that letting the royal foreſts will add about 60,000l. a year to his Majeſty's revenue.

PHILADELPHIA, *May* 13.

Extract of a letter from Nantz, *dated March* 10, 1777.

THE Engliſh Miniſtry, received the advices of the Heſſian defeat, or rather ſurrender at Trenton, long before we had it, and falſely retailed it to us little by little every poſt day, moſt pompouſly blowing up the taking General Lee, and endeavouring by that means, in ſome meaſure to balance the victories gained by our army; but the arrival of the brigantine Pennet, Captain Bardet, in 29 days from Boſton, which he left the ſecond of February, bringing accounts as late as the 23d of January, has enabled us to undeceive the public, by giving every matter in its real ſtate. The loſs of General Lee is much lamented, but it is hoped he will be retaken.

"War is not yet declared, but Europe ſeems prepared for a general eruption, and ſeems to want nothing but the match put to the train, which it is hoped will be forwarded by Captain Weeks's having taken and brought into L'Orient the Liſbon packet of 16 guns, and 30 men, which defended herſelf 45 minutes. She is ſince ſold, with four other prizes at the ſame time brought in; but the packet being a King's veſſel, it is thought it would bring on an explanation between the French and Engliſh Courts. The Emperor has publiſhed an edict prohibiting the emigration of the ſubjects of his empire, without his permiſſion, which it is thought is intended to prevent the Britiſh armies recruiting in Germany, and which, although it may not extend to the Electorate of Hanover, will doubtleſs bind upon the other petty Princes of the empire. England is recruiting as vigorouſly as poſſible, but her force will be, it is thought, principally naval. Our Commiſſaries are yet at Paris, and matters go on very well."

Extract of a letter from St. Euſtatia, *April* 20, 1777.

"A ſmall Virginia boat, commanded by Captain Sinclair, arrived here the 16th inſt. from South Carolina, with indigo. The 18th ſhe ſailed again, and that evening took a ſchooner with one hundred hogſheads of rum, ſome ſugars, and 800 joes. This morning the priſoners came up from Saba, where they were put on ſhore."

From Martinico we learn that Capt. Weeks, in the continental ſhip Repriſal has taken a Liſbon packet, bound from London, mounting 16 guns, with three veſſels under her convoy, after an obſtinate engagement of five glaſſes.

The Oliver Cromwell, a private ſhip of war from this port, has taken four prizes and ſent them into Martinico.

The Sturdy Beggar, a privateer from Baltimore, has taken a valuable prize, bound from Senegal to London. The Governor of Senegal, with his retinue, was on board.

May 15. Sunday laſt arrived Captain Young, of the continental ſloop Independence, who is arrived at a ſafe port with 500 tents, 2000 ſtand of arms, medicines, &c. By him we learn that an Engliſh frigate has taken a French twenty gun ſhip called Le Sane, from France and Martinico for St. Peter's in Newfoundland with military ſtores, and carried her into Dominica. That the Governor of Martinico has ſent a frigate and guarda coſta to demand her, and has declared that if ſhe is not delivered up, he will immediately make repriſals, and we are told the French have a formidable fleet in France ready to ſupport their juſt claims, to croſs the Atlantic unmoleſted by thoſe Britiſh pirates who call themſelves lords of the ſeas. We are farther told that Lord Stormont, in his maſter's name, has demanded to know what the above fleet were fitting out for, when he received for anſwer, that Lewis XVIth was King in France, and had a right to fit out his fleet when he pleaſed, without being accountable to any one.

From Albany we learn, that certain advice was received that a fire had happened at fort St. John's, in Canada, which deſtroyed five ſtore houſes, containing, among other things, the ſails and rigging of the Engliſh fleet on the lakes.

By intelligence from ſundry perſons who have deſerted, been taken priſoners and made their eſcape from the enemy ſince the late expedition to Danbury, Howe's army have ſuffered in that affair from five to nine hundred in killed, wounded, and miſſing.

That of ours 18 were killed, and 60 wounded, of whom ſeven are dead, and the reſt likely to recover.

That of the ſalted meat which was attempted to be deſtroyed, more than one third has been preſerved; and that the medicines and hoſpital ſtores are chiefly ſaved.

That General Wooſter died the 3d inſtant of his wounds in the action of the 27th ult. Although this brave veteran was ſuppoſed by ſome to have out-lived his uſefulneſs, yet his ſpirit and activity ſhone forth in this laſt action of his life with undiminiſhed luſtre.

WILLIAMSBURG, *May* 30.

UPWARDS of forty gentlemen and ladies of the Cherokee nation are now here on a negotiation of peace, which it is hoped will be laſting, and to request a boundary line may be drawn to prevent encroachments on their lands. They have had an audience, and it is expected a compact will be ſettled with them in a few days. Among them are Oconeſtoto, the Little Carpenter, the Pigeon, and other headmen and warriors. After the Talk was concluded, they favoured the public with a dance on the green in front of the palace, where a conſiderable number of ſpectators, both male and female, were agreeably entertained.

Yeſterday the General Aſſembly of this State, agreeable to the conſtitution, or form of government, proceeded to the choice of Governor and Council for another year, when his Excellency PATRICK HENRY, Eſq; was unanimouſly choſen Governor. All the members of the late Council are continued in office, except the Hon. Meriwether Smith, Eſq; in whoſe room the Hon. THOMAS NELSON, Eſq; is appointed. EDMUND RANDOLPH, Eſq; is likewiſe re-elected Attorney General.

In the late action between our troops and the Royal Highlanders near Bonam Town, the enemy loſt, by their own account, in killed and wounded, one Major, one Captain, two Lieutenants, and 63 privates. The highlanders, obſtinately brave, were too proud to ſurrender, which coſt them dear. They were twice reinforced during the engagement, and their ſuperiority of number, after a conteſt of one hour and a half, at laſt obliged our troops to retreat, but with very inconſiderable loſs.

It is ſaid that about 70 tranſports were lately ſeen off the coaſt, ſteering a N. E. courſe, and conjectured to be a reinforcement to Lord and General Howe at New York.

The capes are now blocked up by the Phœnix, Captain Parker, the Senegal, the Raleigh armed brig of 32 guns, and a ſloop of 20. They are ſo ſituated that it is almoſt impoſſible for veſſels bound in or out to eſcape them. Captain Parker has determined not to ſend or receive any more flags.

The paſſengers bound to Great Britain in the ſhip Albion, which is in cuſtody of the Phœnix man of war, lying at Cape Henry, are to have permiſſion to carry on board their baggage and neceſſaries, and proceed on the voyage; an event the paſſengers have not only long and impatiently wiſhed for, but have alſo been at much trouble and coſt in fitting out the veſſel, and preparing themſelves for departure.

The King of Great Britain has conferred the honour of knighthood on James Wallace, Eſq; of the Rose man of war, for the many eſſential ſervices he rendered his royal maſter on the American ſtation, in plundering, burning, and deſtroying the property of the inhabitants.

The Brune and Merlin frigates were cruiſing on the coaſt of North Carolina the beginning of this month, having taken nine veſſels between Ocracock and Cape Fear, which they immediately burnt. They landed ſome of their priſoners at Cape Fear, who ſay the ſhips are not half manned, that they met with great inſults and ſavage uſage from the officers and ſeamen, and were ſtripped of their money and clothes.

Wedneſday Thomas Davis (late Adjutant Davis) and ſix other Tories and traitors, mounted in a waggon, under a proper guard, making a very *decent* appearance, paſſed down the ſtreet on their way to the public gaol, from Alexandria, where they are to remain for trial.

A certain Capt. Murphey, in a ſloop from York river, was a few days ago detected in attempting to get to ſea without a clearance, having forged a permit. It appears likewiſe that he has defrauded the public of conſiderable ſums by forged draughts, which were ſo ingeniouſly executed as to leave no reaſon to doubt their being genuine.

We have a Pennſylvania paper of the 20th inſtant, but it contains no news from the camp.

Married,.....Captain SAMUEL DENNY, of the artillery, to Miſs FALLEN of Northumberland.

May peace and love the ſacred band unite,
And equal joy yield mutual ſweet content.

STRAYED *from Williamſburg, a likely* SORREL COLT, *near fifteen Hands high, has a ſmall white Streak down his Face, white Feet, his Mane hangs on the left Side, and has a long Tail, the End of which is darker than the other Part. Whoever delivers him to the Printers ſhall have twenty Shillings.*

STRAYED or ſtolen, from *Lauten's*, near *Todd's* Ordinary, in *Spotſylvania*, on the 16th Inſtant *(May)* a SORREL HORSE about 14½ Hands high, hanging Mane and Switch Tail, branded S, a Knot on one of his hind Feet, and trots and gallops well. Whoever delivers ſaid Horſe to me in *Williamſburg* ſhall have FORTY SHILLINGS Reward, and TEN POUNDS on Conviction of the Thief.

JOHN DRAPER.

FREDERICKSBURG, *May* 29, 1777.

I intend to leave this State ſoon.

NEIL M'COULL.

TO BE SOLD by the Subscriber, in *Meller Street*, *Williamsburg*, a large Quantity of GOODS, consisting of the following Articles, *viz.* Striped Silks, Crimson Satin, Bombazeen, Wine and Beer Glasses, Allspice, Ladies Fans, Hair Combs, Black Pepper, Silk Twist, Gauze Handkerchiefs, Womens Silk Hats of different Colours, Sets of Coopers Tools, Grubbing Hoes, Augers, Childrens Cotton Stockings, Writing Paper, Mens white and black Gloves, Girls ditto, Mourning Fans, Watch Keys and Strings, Damascus, white and coloured Thread, Tape, Fishing Hooks and Lines complete, Buckram, Lilly's Grammars, Binding of various Colours, Snuff Boxes, Prints, Money Scales, Cheese Toasters, Saddle Lace, large and small Buttons, Mens coarse Shoes, a Fish Kettle, a Warming Pan, Bacon, Brown Sugar by the Barrel or Hundred, Gunpowder, and many other Things too tedious to enumerate. AMBROSE DAVENPORT.

TO BE SOLD at *Poplar Camp*, in *Montgomery* County, on *Monday* the 23d of *June*, to the highest Bidders, the personal Estate of Captain *William Herbert*, deceased, consisting of a large Stock of Cattle, Horses, Mares, and Colts, Household and Kitchen Furniture; also a large Copper Still almost new. Four Years Credit will be allowed for all Sums above ten Pounds, two of which Years with Interest, and two without; but if the Bonds are not paid within three Months after they become due, they are to carry Interest from their Date.---All Persons having Demands against the said Estate are desired to make them known.

STEPHEN TRIGG, } Adm'rs.
JAMES M'CORKLE, } 2‖

TAKEN up on *Otter* Creek, *Pittsylvania*, a RED STEER two Years old, marked with a Crop in the right Ear, and a Half Crop in the left. Posted, and appraised to 25s. WILLIAM THORP.

TAKEN up, in *Amelia*, a BLACK MARE about 9 Years old, and about 4 Feet 8 Inches high, her hind Feet white, with some black Spots amongst the White, a Blaze in her Face, Saddle Spots on each Side, near her Shoulders, and branded on the near Buttock IY. Posted, and appraised to 15l. (1) PETER STAINBACK.

TAKEN up, in *Bedford*, a SORREL ROAN HORSE, rather under the Middle Size, young, has a Blaze Face, trots, appears to have been brapded on the near Shoulder, a Bell without a Clapper, tied on with a Leather Strap. Posted, and appraised to 3l. 10s.

MARY MITCHELL.

TAKEN up, in *Pittsylvania*, a dark bay MARE about 10 Years old, 4 Feet 2½ Inch high, branded on the near Buttock A. Also a bright bay MARE two Years old, 4 Feet 6½ Inches high, branded on the near Shoulder ⊓, and on the near Side of her Head IY. Posted, and appraised, the old Mare to 12l. and the other to 4l.

JAMES POTTETT.

ANY Persons wanting Bills to the Northward may be supplied with them, on the Congress, by applying to MAXWELL & LOYALL, Continental Marine Agents at *Williamsburg* and *Portsmouth*. (1)

STRAYED or stolen from the Subscriber, in *Hanover* County, the 25th of *April* last, a BAY ROAN HORSE, 8 Years old, and near 5 Feet high, branded on the near Buttock I H, as well as I remember, his hind Feet white up to his Footlocks, paces well, a Lump on his Back, one Side of his Mane cut off, and has a Switch Tail. If not stolen, I expect he will make for *Frederick* County, where he was bred.---I will give THREE POUNDS Reward to any One that will deliver said Horse to me, or FIVE POUNDS (if stolen) on Conviction of the Thief, if a white Man. (3‖) JOHN STARKE, Junior.

FREDERICKSBURG, *April* 21, 1777.

ALL Persons indebted to *John M'Call* and Co. *M'Call, Smellie*, and Co. or *George M'Call* and Co. Merchants in *Glasgow*, for Dealings at their Store in *Fredericksburg*, with *George M'Call, Henry Mitchell*, or *James Freeland*, or to *Andrew Thomson* and Co. Merchants in *Glasgow*, for Dealings at their Store at *Maltex*, in *Westmoreland* County, with *Daniel Fitzhugh, Archibald Bryce*, or *Hugh Leitch*, are desired to take Notice, that after my Departure there will be no Person left in this State who has Authority from these Gentlemen to receive Payments on their Account. (1) HENRY MITCHELL.

NANSEMOND, *May* 15, 1777.

I INTEND for the *West Indies* soon, and to return in the Fall for my Family, when I purpose to dispose of my Property in this Country.

2‖ JOHN AGNEW.

THIS is to certify, that I some Time ago enlisted under *William Black* of *Chesterfield* County, in the Service of this State, for one Year, at which Time of my Enlistment the said *William Black* agreed to appoint me Serjeant, and my Wages to go on from last *Christmas*. His failing to fulfil this Agreement, which I have from under his Hand, was my Reason for leaving the Company, but am ready and willing to return into the Service with *Black*, or any other Person, as soon as said Agreement is complied with. (2‖) JOHN RAGLAND.

LOUISA *County*, *April* 30, 1777.

STOLEN, some Time in *November* 1775, a Negro Man named ABRAHAM, *Virginia* born, about 28 or 29 Years old, 5 Feet 10 or 11 Inches high; he is a black Negro, with large Calves to his Legs, his upper fore Teeth incline out rather more than common, and has an Impediment, or Stammering in his Speech when he speaks hastily; he is a well proportioned Fellow, and can saw very well, but was brought up chiefly to the Planter's Business. I am informed he was stolen by one *Joseph Cook* of *Pittsylvania* County, who, to prevent his Owner's getting or hearing of him, conveyed him out to *Watauga*, within 6 or 7 Miles of the *Great Island* on *Holstein* River, and, through a Blind, put him under one *Thomas Sboat*, an Inhabitant of that Place, where I went in Pursuit of him, and understood by the said *Sboat* that it was the same Negro that I described to him, but was brought there by the said *Cook*, and put under him to make a Crop of Corn, and that he intended to move into those Parts to live; but I have sufficient Reason to believe that the said *Sboat* is in Confederacy with *Cook*, and that *Sboat* had Intelligence of my being in Pursuit of said Negro before I could get there, and concealed him, telling me that *Cook* had sent for him four or five Days before, and he was gone to him. Upon which I returned to *Bedford* Courthouse, and sent Word to *Cook* to meet me there with the Negro, which he failed to comply with, but sent a Letter in Retaliation for the Negro. I have likewise been informed, that if ever *Cook* should understand that I have heard of his stealing the said Negro, he intended to convey him to *New Orleans*, where he expected the Owner would never get him. I will give twenty Pounds to any Person that will deliver the said Negro to me, and on Conviction of the Thief forty Pounds. The said Negro has changed his Name to WILL, and, by Promise of *Cook*, was to have his Freedom after a Year or two, and in all Probability may now pass for a free Man.

(2‖) RICHARD PHILLIPS.

TWENTY DOLLARS Reward for one RICHARD FOXWELL, who deserted from *Williamsburg* the 10th of *April* last. He is about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, of a ruddy Complexion, very talkative, stutters in his Speech, and had on, when he went away, a dark Coat and Jacket. I understand he has since enlisted with one *Perkins*, and again deserted. His first Push was to the *Eastern Shore*, where he lived some Time after leaving the Northward, of which he said he was a Native.

2‖ CHARLES COLLIER, 1st Lieut.

MANCHESTER, *May* 25, 1777.

RUN away from the Subscriber, a Negro Man named ABRAHAM, formerly the Property of Captain *Francis Smith*, late of *Hanover* County, *Virginia* born, about 5 Feet 10 Inches high, very black, thin visaged, and of a pleasant Countenance. I do not know how to describe his Dress, as he has different Kinds with him. He has a Wife at a Quarter of the Hon. *William Nelson*'s, Esq; in *King William*, several Relations at Mr. *Claiborne*'s, in the same County, some at Mr. *William Daingerfield*'s and Mr. *Sherwood Tinsley*'s, in *Hanover* County, at some of which Places I imagine he is harboured by his Friends. I will give any Person who will secure him in a public Gaol, or deliver him to me at *Manchester*, a Reward of FORTY SHILLINGS.

EDWARD JOHNSON.

MANCHESTER, *May* 10, 1777.

AS Mr. *Charles Irving* of *Albemarle*, and Mr. *Robert Murray* of *Cumberland* County, have given up the Charge of the Business they were lately employed in for Messrs. *Henderson, M'Caul*, and Company, of *Glasgow*, I shall be glad if those to whom that Company is indebted will apply to me, and receive Payment.

(2) JAMES LYLE.

DESERTED from the MANLY Galley, three Men, *viz.* FRANCIS ARBADO, a black *Frenchman*, about 30 Years of Age, 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, the other two belonging to Mr. *Peters* at *Hood*'s, one a thick stout made Fellow, about 30 Years of Age, 5 Feet 9 or 10 Inches high, the other a short thick Fellow, about 25 Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 or 7 Inches high. Whoever apprehends the said Deserters shall have TEN DOLLARS Reward for each.

(1) WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

RUN away from the Subscriber, in *Goochland* County the 17th of *October* 1775, a Negro Man named ARTHUR, a thin, raw boned, artful, *Virginia* born Fellow, of a yellowish Complexion, about 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, 35 or 40 Years of Age, streight limbed, walks quick, smiles when spoken to, has lost several of his upper Teeth, has a thin hollow Foot, and carried with him a Variety of Clothes, which he stole. Whoever delivers him to me in *Goochland* shall have FIVE POUNDS Reward, or FIFTY SHILLINGS if secured so that I get him again. (4‖) WILLIAM POWELL.

WILLIAMSBURG MANUFACTORY, *May* 6, 1777.

HAVING employed an exceeding good Heckler, regularly bred to the Business in *England*, at this Manufactory, any Persons who have Flax to dress may have it done in the best and most expeditious Manner, on reasonable Terms; the Price of heckling to be paid before the Flax is taken away, although it would be equally agreeable to receive a Part thereof in Payment.

We purpose to purchase rough Materials for manufacturing, and when wrought up to vend the same. To the Planter and Farmer we leave the Business of raising Hemp, Flax, Cotton, and Wool; and for any of these Articles, we give ready Money. We sell Hemp and Flax in small Quantities, properly prepared for spinning.

This Manufactory is situated within a few Steps of the *Capitol Landing*, extremely convenient to the Counties of *York* and *Gloucester*, and to the *Eastern Shore*, from whence any thing may be easily conveyed by Water. Good Encouragement is given to SPINNERS, if they are Persons of good Character; and a MISTRESS SPINNER we are immediate Want of, to whom good Wages will be given, provided she comes well recommended. We are also in Want of a WOOL COMBER.

We are glad to have the Factory visited by those whom it may be agreeable to, but hope no Person would wish to do it so much Injury as to take any Steps that may induce the People employed there to leave it.

JOHN CRAWFORD, Manager.

TO BE RENTED, an exceeding good Dwelling-House, with all necessary Outhouses, two Lots well paled in, and a Stable in *Hanover* Town. Particulars may be known by applying to

LEIGHTON WOOD, Junior.

*** Who has to hire a NEGRO WENCH and GIRL, both used to House Business.

FOR SALE, a Tract of LAND whereon the Subscriber now lives, lying in *Louisa* County, containing about 368 Acres, whereon is a tolerable good Dwelling-House, Kitchen, Dairy, Smokehouse, Cellar House, Barn, and other convenient Houses; also a very large Apple and Peach Orchard, and other Fruit Trees. The Plantation is under a very good Fence, and in good Order for Cropping, sufficient to work 8 or 10 Hands, a great Part whereof is fresh. The Land is very good for Grain, lies tolerably well, is about 8 Miles from two Parish Churches, and convenient to Courthouse, Meeting House, and several Grist Mills, and also to a Fulling-Mill. Any Person inclinable to purchase may see the Premises, and know the Terms, by applying to

(1) THOMAS THOMPSON.

NORFOLK, *May* 5, 1777.

THE Subscribers have for Sale, at this Place, a Quantity of MOHOGANY and SARSAPARELLA.

(1) PHRIPP & BOWDOIN.

PRINCE GEORGE, *April* 29, 1777.

THE Subscriber has for Sale between 7 and 8000 Acres of exceeding fine high LAND, lying in the lower End of *Bedford* County, on the Branches of *Whipping* and *Hill's* Creeks; also 1400 Acres in *Mecklenburg* County, lying on *Finny-wood* and the Branches of *Blue Stone*, whereon is a good Plantation with Land enough to work 10 or 12 Hands to Advantage. The Terms will be made easy to the Purchaser, and may be known by applying to *Mr. Thomas Gordon* near *Blandford*, or to

(6‖) WILLIAM MURRAY.

TAKEN up, in the upper End of *Cumberland*, a RED COW with some white Spots, a smooth Crop in the right Ear, and an Underkeel in the left. Posted, and appraised to 35s.

(1) JOHN RAINE.

TAKEN up, in *Spotsylvania*, a dark brown STEER about 3 Years old, marked with a Crop and Hole in the left Ear, and a Crop and Nick in the under Side of the right. Posted, and appraised to 25s.

(1) THOMAS COLSON.

TAKEN up, near the Head of *Sailor's* Creek, in *Prince Edward*, a two Year old dark brindled Steer, unmarked when he came into this Neighbourhood, now marked with a Crop in the right Ear, and Swallowfork in the left. Posted, and appraised to 25s.

(1) THOMAS JACKSON.

TAKEN up, in *York* County, a small WHITE HORSE about 4 Feet 6 Inches high, trots and gallops, but not branded, and appraised to forty Shillings. DAVID BROOKS.

TAKEN up, in *Charlotte*, a deep red COW about 4 or 5 Years old, has a Bob Tail, marked with a smooth Crop in the right Ear, a Slit and Underkeel in the left. Posted, and appraised to thirty five Shillings. (1) JOEL CHEATHAM.

BLANDFORD, *March* 24, 1777.

THE Subscriber has for Sale a valuable Lot in the Town of *Blandford*, on which are new Houses of all Kinds fit for the Reception of a Family, and well planked in, and a Lot in the Town of *Petersburg*, which rents for 30l. a Year; also 600 Acres of LAND on the Waters of *Snow* and *Turkey Cock* Creeks, near *Pittsylvania* Courthouse. The Terms will be made easy to a Purchaser as he will either sell for Cash or long Credit, on giving Bond with good Security. Possession of the Lots cannot be given till next *Christmas*, as they are both rented out till that Time.

(4‖) THOMAS GORDON.

FOR SALE, three Thousand Acres of Land lying on the Banks of *Rappahannock* River, in the upper Part of *Lancaster* County, nearly opposite *Urbanna*, and stretching three Miles along the said River, esteemed remarkably good, most of it Meadow Grounds, with many valuable Improvements, a beautiful Situation, a good Dwelling-House and all convenient Offices about the two Miles the Tract, and other new Buildings on other Parts of said Land. Whole to be surveyed and sold, either together or in Lots, as may be most convenient to the Purchaser or Purchasers. This Land has all the Advantages of Creeks, Fish, Oysters, and every other thing that a Situation in the lower Part of the Country affords; is attended with the vantages of a good Harbour for Trade, all the Stocks of Horses, Cattle, Hogs, and 200 Sheep, may be had with the said Lands. For Terms apply to *Henry Armistead*, Esq; on the Premises, or to *Thomas Reynolds*, Esq; near the same, who are invested with competent Powers to dispose of the Whole.

(11) BURGES BALLARD.

THE BEAUTIFUL HIGH BRED GREY HORSE

BADGER,

STANDS at my House and will cover Mares this Spring at 5l. the Season, or 50s. the Leap, the Money to be paid before Mares are taken away. Good Pasturage gratis, and great Care will be taken of the Mares, but I will not be answerable for any if they should be lost by any Means whatsoever. Such Gentlemen as choose it may have their Mares well fed for 5s. *Virginia* Money per Week.

BADGER was got by BOLTHMAN, a Son of BABRAM, who was got by the GODOLPHIN ARABIAN; BADGER's Dam was got by the famous BLACK and all BLACK, his Grandam by the flying CHILDERS. He is 15¼ Hands high, and remarkably sure.

(8‖) ALLEN JONES.

THE HIGH BRED HORSE

SELIM,

LATE the Property of *Samuel Galloway*, Esq; of *Maryland*, will stand at my Stable in *Amelia* County, and will cover Mares until the 20th Day of next *August* at 30s. the Cover, and 4l. the Season; for which will be expected with the Mares. SELIM is a fine dark Bay upwards of 15 Hands high, fat, sound, and healthy; was got by BLACK and all BLACK, whose Sire was OLD CRAB, his Dam was the famous SELIM, got by the GODOLPHIN ARABIAN, and full Sister to Col. BABRAM. His Performances as a Racer I believe has not been equalled by any Horse that ever started on the Continent. Pasturage *gratis*, but I will not be answerable for Escapes.

(9‖) HENRY ANDERSON.

*** The above Horse will be for Sale after the Season.